Fun Facts & Tidbits

Welcome to the fun facts page. This page will have periodic fun facts and quotes about the financial markets or topical events.

The first fun fact is:

What was the best performing asset from the end of December until the end of February?

Answer- Gold was up 5.3% as of the end of February, 2016. Another fun fact about gold. How many Olympic sized pools would you need to hold all of the gold in the world that has ever been mined?

Answer- about 3.5 pools. According to Thompson Reuters, all the gold in the world is about 171,300 tonnes. The good news is that it is estimated that there is still 52,000 tonnes of minable gold. So where did gold come from? Ultra high precision analyses of some of the oldest rock samples on Earth by researchers at the University of Bristol provides clear evidence that the planet's accessible reserves of precious metals are the result of a bombardment of meteorites more than 200 million years after Earth was formed. So next time you see a shooting star, maybe the tail is gold dust sparkling in the light.